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SUBJ: KOREA AT 30TH UNGA - LOBBYING FOR FRIENDLY RESOLUTION

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1. I HAD A RETURN ENGAGEMENT WITH GOC FONMIN CHRISTOPHIDES OCT 24 OF KOREAN QUESTION. FOLLOWING MY OCTOBER 20 DEMARCHE HE HAD AS PROMISED BEEN IN TOUCH WITH GOC PERMREP ROSSIDES IN NEW YORK AND HAD RECEIVED LATTER'S COMMENTS ON US REQUEST FROM NEW YORK PERSPECTIVE. CHRISTOPHIDES READ ME ROSSIDES' TELEGRAM.

2. ROSSIDES DEPICTED CYPRUS DELEGATION AS BEING UNDER GREAT PRESSURE FROM ALGERIANS, BOTH BOUTEFLIKA DN RAHAL. ALGERIANS HAVE FORCEFULLY MADE POINT THAT CYPRIOTS EXPRESSED NO RESERVATION RE KOREAN PORTION OF LIMA NAC DECLARATION. SAME DECLARATION GAVE CYPRUS THE SUPPORT IT WANTED. BOTH PORTIONS BINDING ON ALL NAC PARTICIPATNS. IF GOC WERE T ACT INDEPENDENTLY OF NAC DECISION ON KOREA, MEMBERS WOULD REGARD THEMSELVES AS FREED OF COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT CYPRUS IN UNGA. GOC REQUESTED FULFILL ITS LIMA COMMITMENTS AND VOTE IN FAVOR OF PRIORITY FOR NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION.

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3. ROSSIDES' TELEGRAM ALSO POINTED OUT THAT RAHAL IS CHAIRMAN OF NON-ALIGNED CYPRUS CONTACT GROUP OF FIVE. WHICH WILL HAVE PIVOTAL ROLE IN NEGOTIATION CYPRUS RES TO BE CONSIDERED IN DEBATE BEGINNING NOV 10.

4. ROSSIDES FURTHER STATED THAT ON BASIS CURRENT COUNT IN NEW YORK. NORTH KOREAN RES WILL BE VOTED PRIORITY REGARDLESS OF GOC POSITION. GOC SHOULD NOT, THEREFORE, USELESSLY ALLIENATE SUPPORT FOR CYPRUS POSITION IN UNGA BY TAKING A POSITION CONTRARY TO WISHES OF IMPORTANT NON-ALIGNED FRINDS. ROSSIDES ADVISED THAT HE HAD CONSULTED THE RESPONSIBLE, LEADING NON-ALIGNED STATES AND HAD ASCERTAINED THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN FAVOR OF PRIORITY.

5. CHRISTOPHIDES COMMENDTED THAT IN THIS SITUATION GOC WOULD BE HARD PUT NOT TO JOIN OTHER NON-ALIGNED IN VOTING FOR PRIORITY. AT THE UTMOST, IT MIGHT CONCEIVABLY FIND REASONS TO ABSTAIN. ABSTENTION ON BOTH SUBSTANTIVE RESES WOULD BE NO PROBLEM.

6. I REVIEWED WITH CHRISTOPHIDES THAT MANY REASONS, BOTH MORAL AND IN SELF-INTEREST, WHY GOC WOULD BE WELL ADVISED TO COOPERATE WITH US ON THIS KEY QUESTION AT CURRENT UNGA. I POINTED OUT THAT BY VOTING FOR PRIORITY AND THEREBY POSSIBLY LETTING NORTH KOREAN RES WIN, GOC WOULD BE APPROVING A POSITION EQUIVALENT IN CYPRUS TERMS TO ELIMINATING THE GOVERNMENT OF ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS AS A PARTICIPANT IN DISCUSSIONS OF A SOLUTION HERE. I ASKED WHETHER THAKING A POSITION OF SHORT-TERM EXPEDIENCY IN THE HOPE OF PINNING DOWN NON-ALIGNED SUPPORT FOR THE KIND OF CYPRUS RES GOC WANTED AT THIS UNGA REALLY WEIGHED MORE HEAVILY THAN GOING SO SHARPLY AGAINST THE RESPONSIBLE CONCERNS OF US AND PRINCIPAL WESTERN EUROPEAN STATES ON WHICH GOC COUNTING FOR A CYPRUS SOLUTION.

7. OUR CONVERSATION WAS UNFORTUNATELY INCONCLUSIVE. CHRISTOPHIDES' FINAL REMARD WAS "I HAVE MADE NO PROMISES TO YOU, THEREFORE I WILL BE BREAKING NONE."

8. COMMENT: I WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SEE CHRISTOPHIDES  
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AGAIN BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE FOR NEW YORK OCT 31 IF THERE IS ANYTHING FURTHER THAT CAN USEFULLY BE FED INTO GOC THINKING. FOR EXAMPLE, IF WE CAN MAKE A CONVINCING CASE THAT ROSSIDES IS OFF IN HIS PREDICTION THAT UNGA WILL VOTE PRIORITY, IT WOULD BE GOOD TO LET CHRISTOPHIDES KNOW. DISCUSSION CAN OF COURSE BE CONTINUED AFTER HIS ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK IF ISSUE STILL PENDING. I TOLD CHRISTOPHIDES TO EXPECT SHARPLY DRAWN LINES AND HARD TALK ON BOTH SIDES.

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